

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking on the
Commission's Proposed Policies and Programs
Governing post-2003 Low-Income Assistance
Programs.

Rulemaking 04-01-006
(Filed January 8, 2004)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND REQUIRING
THE FILING OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE STATEMENTS**

This ruling sets a prehearing conference (PHC) for Tuesday, May 18, 2004, at 10:00 a.m. and requires the filing of PHC statements by all parties that have filed an appearance in the case, or that are named as Respondents in the Order Instituting Rulemaking (OIR) initiating this proceeding. The OIR is available on the Commission's website at

http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUBLISHED/FINAL_DECISION/33360.htm.

The PHC will take place at the Commission's Courtroom, State Office Building, 505 Van Ness Avenue (at McAllister), San Francisco, California. The PHC is intended to develop a service list for this proceeding and to further develop the scope and schedule for the proceeding.

The PHC statements shall be filed and served no later than May 13, 2004, and shall respond to the following task list:

1. List all pending projects or issues you are working on, or that the Commission has ordered, in connection with this proceeding. The list shall include matters carried over from prior proceedings (R.01-08-027 and Application 02-07-001 et al.).

2. Prioritize the matters listed in response to Question 1. Matters given a high priority shall be those with greatest customer or ratepayer benefit. Justify your prioritization.
3. Give a timeline for your work and Commission action on the matters listed in response to Question 1.
4. State whether any matter listed in response to Question 1 will require hearings before this Commission.

I will use the information in your PHC statements, and information you furnish at the PHC, to develop the scope and schedule for this proceeding.

IT IS RULED that:

1. I will hold a prehearing conference (PHC) in this proceeding at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, May 18, 2004, at the Commission Courtroom, State Office Building, 505 Van Ness Avenue (at McAllister), San Francisco, California.

2. On or before May 13, 2004, all parties shall file and serve PHC statements addressing the topics set forth in the body of this ruling. Parties shall also e-mail copies of their statements to me (srt@cpuc.ca.gov) and to the e-mail service list for this proceeding, available at http://www.cpus.ca.gov/published/service_lists/R0401006_61587.htm.

Dated March 24, 2004, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ SARAH R. THOMAS

Sarah R. Thomas
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Setting Prehearing Conference and Requiring the Filing of Prehearing Conference Statements on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record. In addition, service was also performed by electronic mail.

Dated March 24, 2004, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID

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N O T I C E

Parties should notify the Process Office, Public Utilities Commission, 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 2000, San Francisco, CA 94102, of any change of address to insure that they continue to receive documents. You must indicate the proceeding number on the service list on which your name appears.

The Commission's policy is to schedule hearings (meetings, workshops, etc.) in locations that are accessible to people with disabilities. To verify that a particular location is accessible, call: Calendar Clerk (415) 703-1203.

If specialized accommodations for the disabled are needed, e.g., sign language interpreters, those making the arrangements must call the Public Advisor at (415) 703-2074 or TTY# 1-866-836-7825 or (415) 703-5282 at least three working days in advance of the event.